

## Amendments to House Bill No. 2 1st Reading Copy

Requested by Representative Rick Ripley

For the House Appropriations Committee

Prepared by Barbara Smith May 11, 2007 (12:08pm)

1. Page C-2, line 1.

**Strike:** "250,000 250,000" [general fund FY08 and FY09] **Insert:** "150,000 150,000" [general fund FY08 and FY09]

2. Page C-8.

Following: line 1

Insert: "g. Economic Analysis of Irrigated Agriculture

(Restricted/Biennial/OTO) 100,000 100,000"

[general fund FY08 and FY09]

3. Page C-9.

Following: line 27

Insert: "Economic Analysis of Irrigated Agriculture is restricted to contracted services for the purposes of determining the economic benefits of irrigation, the impact of new irrigation projects, and the rehabilitation needs of older irrigation projects. The department shall provide to the interim water policy committee the scoping document of the study prior to release of the request for proposal to complete the study. A final written report must be provided to the interim water policy committee by September 15, 2008.

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Explanation - This net impact of this amendment is zero. The amendment does the following:

Item #1 - Reduces the State Wildlife Grant program in the Wildlife Division of the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks by \$100,000 general fund each year of the biennium (\$200,000 total). This was a one-time only item.

Item #2 - Provides the Conservation and Resource Development Division of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation \$100,000 of general fund each year of the biennium (\$200,000) for the purpose of conducting an economic analysis of irrigated agriculture. This is a one-time only item.